

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1 after the title, add the following paragraph:

Cross Reference to Related Application

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/814,086, filed March 21, 2001.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 15:

However, according to the above-described conventional driving method of the conventional plasma display panel, to vary either the scan-electrode potential or the sustain-electrode potential to a predetermined potential, the slope circuits need to be used to slowly vary the potential; and subsequently, after the potential varies to a certain level, the clamping circuits are used to clamp the potential to the predetermined potential. Therefore, the conventional method requires the provision of the slope circuits for slowing varying the potential. ~~This arises a problem in that~~ Thus, the circuit cannot be miniaturized overall.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 26, line 5:

The clamping circuit 3, which is formed of the switches S5 and S6, and the scan driver circuit 602 shown in Fig. 1 are included in a scanning package 11. Other components, i.e., the clamping circuit 1 and the charge-collecting circuit 2 (sustain-electrode driver circuit) are included in a common package ~~120~~ 12.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 26, line 10:

In the sustain driver circuit and the sustain-electrode driver circuit, which are configured as described above, the charge-collecting circuit 2 controls charge-collection between the scanning electrodes 606-1 to 606-n and the sustain electrodes 605-1 to 605-n. The sustain-

electrode potential is clamped to either the potential of the power voltage Vs or the ground potential according to an ON or OFF operation of the switches S1 and S2 of the ~~clamping~~ clamping circuit 1. The scan-electrode potential is clamped to either the potential of the power voltage Vs or the ground potential according to an ON or OFF operation of the switches S5 and S6.

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